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Art in Public Places Commission

September 23, 2014

The Art in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled meeting on September 23, 2014 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center located 273 Hilltop Lane. **Chair** Moyer called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.

Commissioners Present: Chair Moyer, Vice Chair Koscianski, Palumbo, Peterson, Arthur

Towle-Krewson

Commissioners Absent: Matthews, Averill

Staff Present: None

June 24, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Arthur moved approval of the minutes as written. Ms. Towle-Krewson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

Sandwich Boards

The Commission thanked Ms. Matthews for securing a sandwich board for the AIPPC to display event show times.

Thursday Nights with the Stars

Chair Moyer provided a copy of the flyer for the Thursday Nights with the Stars event for member to review and asked Ms. Towle-Krewson to provide an update on what went well or not so well. Ms. Towle-Krewson attended a majority of the meetings and explained that the event went well for an inaugural opening. She believes that there need to be more organization and a sound system available. Of all the programs, the ones that should be invited back and that would make the event stronger are Jazz Mosaic, Colonial Players, Lilly and Mudd, the extravaganza with the students, Carr's Beach, and Tony Spencer. Chair Moyer reported that the Army Field Band contributed \$150 toward the events and the AIPPC expended \$150 in parking fees so AIPPC broke even. There was a brief discussion regarding the other musical venues around Annapolis and the need for coordination among these groups. Chair Moyer has raised this issue with the Mayor and also discussed the possibility of showcasing local groups. She asked if anyone would be interested in serving on an events subcommittee. Mr. Arthur agreed to serve on the subcommittee and will look into a sound system for next year's event. Ms. Peterson also agreed to serve on the subcommittee and agreed to be involved in the flyers. There was a brief discussion regarding budgeting funds for promoting these events and the need for fundraising. Chair Moyer suggested a fun dance on the top of the city garage as a fundraiser for the music program.

HACA Partnership/Funding

Chair Moyer updated the AIPPC on the partnership with HACA with regard to the mosaic art at their pool and the need for \$35,000 for the project. She explained that the person who was working on the project is no longer with HACA so the project has slowed down.

USNA/Alumni Association

Chair Moyer met with the USNA Alumni Association and they agreed to help with the project by putting the information in their magazine and on their website as well as make a contribution. Ms. Sarah Phillips, Architect, drafted a short advertisement for the magazine but Chair Moyer was unsure it has been published

yet. The intent is to draw some of the alumni into making contribution toward the wall project. Once the article is run, it will allow the AIPPC to reach out to some of the corporations for donations.

What's Up Magazine Research

Chair Moyer reported that there will be an article in the November or December issue of the What's Up magazine featuring the AIPPC. She reminded members that at the June meeting, there was a discussion regarding a December reception at St. John's to coincide with this article publication where the art cataloguing research completed by Mr. Zug and Ms. Palumbo can be introduced. She reported that there are currently 60 sculptures located throughout the City. She has asked for time on the City Council agenda to recognize Mr. Zug's work through a resolution.

Artwalk Extension

Chair Moyer reported that there is a request to extend the existing Artwalk artwork. The artwork is still in good shape and there are currently no art to replace them. There was a brief discussion regarding the need to explore fundraising events to raise money to be able to change out these types of artwork.

Infinity Theater Proposal

Chair Moyer is expecting a proposal from Infinity Theater to do a major Broadway production at City Dock.

Zug Catalogue Project

Ms. Palumbo asked if Mr. Zug's research work is complete and **Chair** Moyer believes that his portion of the work is complete. However, **Chair** Moyer and Ms. Palumbo will meet to go over the remaining components and also hope that Mr. Averill would assist with the performing arts components. Ms. Palumbo noted that Mr. Zug needs to provide the images for use as well.

Westgate Circle Sculpture

Chair Moyer noted that there was a request to remove the existing sculpture at the Westgate Circle to replace it with a different piece of art. The AIPPC hopes that there will be a presentation at its October meeting.

Chase Lord and Brice House Memorandum of Agreements

Chair Moyer noted that the City Office of Law has provided the Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) for the Chase Lord House for the women's portraits and the Brice House for the four signers. The agreements are for five years after which the MOA will be on a year to year lease. **Vice Chair** Koscianski was asked to assist with moving the portraits to their respective locations.

Hotel Tax

Chair Moyer discussed the hotel tax and the findings of Mr. Jim Martin from Councilman Trumbauer who asked the question of whether the 3% collected funds should be spent in the City. The findings indicated that there are no requirements that the funds be expended in the City. **Chair** Moyer is hoping to meet with the Mayor to request his support for an amendment to the State law to allow the AIPPC to receive the funds instead of the AACO Arts Council. This will ensure that these funds are expended in the City. She has asked the same of Speaker Busch.

Ms. Palumbo moved that the AIPPC move forward with the Chair discussing the AIPPC retaining the hotel tax funding with the Mayor and Speaker Busch. Ms. Towle-Krewson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

Miscellaneous

There was a brief discussion regarding the chicken in Whitmore Park in that it is illegally placed and should be placed in an alternate location. The AIPPC believes that there should be a meeting with the Mayor regarding the issue. **Vice Chair** Koscianski agreed to prepare a letter or comments to Ms. Nyman regarding the Whitmore chicken sculpture. He will also contact David Jarrell regarding moving the 4 signers artwork.

Small Parks

Chair Moyer noted that there has been some interest in small parks expressed that will give the AIPPC some visibility. The three sites of consideration are the triangle near Brook and Amos Garrett, the park on Compromise Street and Back Creek park. She noted that the Rotary is accepting grants and one of these sites could encompass some of those funds.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 28, 2014 at 6:30 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

Mr. Arthur moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. Ms. Palumbo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder